

Listing of the Claims

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-56. (Cancelled)

57. (Currently Amended) A system for use in a work space ~~for one or more users~~ and configured to distribute utilities away from at least one article of furniture element having a top section carrying the utilities into the work space, comprising:

a utility access extension comprising a utility delivery zone;

a utility beam having a first end ~~moveably coupled for translating movement~~ along at or near the top section of the article of furniture and a second end projecting into the work space and coupled to a top section of the utility access extension at an overhead position relative to users in the work space;

~~a utility access extension coupled to the second end of the beam comprising a utility delivery zone;~~

wherein the ~~beam and the extension are configured to supply utilities~~ are supplied between the top section of the article of furniture and the top section of the utility access extension to the utility delivery zone ~~so that users may gain access to utilities routed through the furniture at a point away from the~~ article of furniture.

58. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 57 wherein the system is adapted for movement along a predefined path to selectively deliver utilities to at least one portion of a work area.

59. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 58 wherein the system can be ~~associated with~~ positioned at either of a first workstation or a second workstation.

60. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 58 wherein the system is movable between a stowed position and a deployed position.

61. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 58 wherein the beam is configured for sliding movement along the furniture, and the extension is configured for rolling movement along the floor.

62. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 61 wherein the beam is movable on a track system.

63. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 62 wherein the track system ~~shown~~ includes a horizontal rail mounted on the furniture.

64. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 63 wherein the beam includes a mounting assembly having a slide mechanism engaging the horizontal rail.

65. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 61 wherein the extension includes a floor wheel assembly.

66. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 65 wherein the floor wheel assembly includes a caster.

67. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 57 wherein the beam and the extension are formed of an "L"-shaped frame.

68. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 57 further ~~including~~ comprising a retractable partition that is adapted to define a private space when in a withdrawn position.

69. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 57 wherein the extension is positioned at a lateral distance outboard of the furniture.

70. (Currently Amended) A floor supported system for use in a work space ~~for one or more users~~ and configured to distribute utilities away from at least one article of furniture element having a top section carrying the utilities into the work space, comprising:

~~a utility delivery zone;~~

an overhead utility beam ~~moveably attached~~ coupled proximate one end to the article of furniture and configured for translating movement relative to the article of furniture ~~supply utilities to the utility delivery zone so that users may gain access to utilities routed through the furniture at a point away from the furniture;~~

a utility delivery zone positioned vertically below the overhead utility beam at a point away from the article of furniture; and

a light fixture coupled to the overhead beam;

wherein the utilities are routed to the overhead utility beam at or above the top section of the article of furniture;

wherein the utilities are routed from the overhead beam to the utility delivery zone at a point away from the article of furniture.

71. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 70 further comprising a utility access extension having a canopy ~~associated with~~ located adjacent to the light fixture.

72. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 70 further comprising a utility infeed to allow utilities to be supplied to the utility delivery zone.

73. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 72 wherein the utility infeed is a flexible conduit within a recess in the top of the furniture.

74. (Currently Amended) A wall supported system for use in a work space ~~for one or more users~~ and configured to distribute utilities away from at least one article of furniture element having a top section carrying the utilities into the work space, comprising:

a utility access extension comprising a utility delivery zone;

an overhead utility beam ~~moveably attached proximate one~~ having a first end movably coupled to the top section of the article of furniture and a second end projecting into the work space and coupled to a top section of the utility access extension, the overhead utility beam configured to supply utilities to the utility delivery zone ~~so that users may gain access to utilities routed through the furniture~~ at a point away from the furniture; and

a light fixture coupled to the beam;

wherein the utilities are routed to the overhead utility beam at or above the top section of the article of furniture.

75. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 74 wherein the beam is positioned at an elevation above the furniture.

76. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 74 wherein the system is adapted for movement along a predefined path to selectively deliver utilities to at least one portion of a work area.

77. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 57 wherein the utility access extension projects downward from the overhead beam and the utility delivery zone is provided on the utility access extension.

78. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 77 wherein the utility delivery zone is provided on an interior of the utility access extension.

79. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 70 wherein a utility access extension projects downward from the overhead beam and the utility delivery zone is provided on the utility access extension.

80. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 79 wherein the utility delivery zone is provided on an interior of the utility access extension.

81. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 74 wherein a the utility access extension projects downward from the overhead beam and the utility delivery zone is provided on the utility access extension.

82. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 81 wherein the utility delivery zone is provided on an interior of the utility access extension.

83. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 57 wherein the second end of the utility beam is configured to project into the work space at an overhead position relative to users seated in the work space.

84. (New) The system of Claim 57 wherein the utility beam is adapted to be positioned without extending below the top section of the article of furniture and the top section of the utility access extension.

85. (New) The system of Claim 74 wherein the utility beam does not extend below the top section of the article of furniture and the top section of the utility access extension.

86. (New) The system of Claim 74 wherein the utility beam and the utility access extension are configured for translating movement relative to the article of furniture.